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**Brief Summary of Selected Substantive Portions of this Response**

**[0001]**     In an in-person interview (on Apr. 29, 2008), Examiner Gishnock, Supervisory Examiner Mosser, and I discussed invalidity of the Paniconi reference, distinctions from the cited references and possible clarifying amendments to the claims. While no agreement was reached, I understood the Examiners to tentatively concur with discussed clarifying amendments, subject to an updated search. Claims herein are amended consistent with the discussion in the interview. This brief summary is not intended to represent the Applicant's full response to the Action. Rather, it is merely a brief summary of selected substantive portions of the response herein.